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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents were previously cited by Applicants and the Examiner in prior application serial no. 09/340,149 filed June 28, 1999, upon which Applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C § 120. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of these documents are not being provided. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and the applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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